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In re Application of ALEXANDROV et al. Application No. 09/689,984 Filed: October 13, 2000 Attorney Docket No. 2750-1235P

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed August 18, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to reply timely to the Notice of Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed January 15, 2003, which set a two-month shortened statutory period to respond. No extensions of time were obtained pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). Accordingly, this application became abandoned on March 16, 2003. The present petition precedes the mailing of the Notice of Abandonment.

The application is being revived solely for purposes of continuity. As continuity has been established by this decision reviving the application, the application is again abandoned in favor of the continuing application No. 10/642,811, filed August 18, 2003.

The file is being forwarded to Files Repository.

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